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Eleven Minors Arrested at Evansville Party

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (Feb. 18) – Indiana State Excise Police officers arrested 11 minors – including five less than 18 years old – at an Evansville underage drinking party this weekend.

Officers received a citizen complaint about an underage drinking party at 1812 S. Fuquay Road in Knight Township shortly after midnight Sunday. When they arrived, officers found 11 minors, five of whom were less than 18 years of age, who had been consuming alcoholic beverages at the party.

Two tested .16% BAC or higher.

One of the 17 year olds cited for underage drinking was also ticketed by the same excise officer for juvenile possession of tobacco at Eastland Mall less than eight hours before.

All 11 minors who were arrested for illegal consumption of alcohol will appear in Vanderburgh Misdemeanor or Juvenile Court on later dates. The five who were less than 18 years old were released to their parents.

As the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

Anyone with information on illegal alcohol consumption in southwestern Indiana should contact the Indiana State Excise Police District 5 office at 812-882-1292.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.